

Roland Park Rehabilitation Timeline

The rehabilitation of Roland Park in Coweta, Oklahoma is a project that arose directly from the expressed desires of the citizens of Coweta. This approximately half a million-dollar project has been in process since 2018 and has moved through the planning and design process below:

- Feb Mar 2018 Coweta Community Survey completed (Parks/Park Improvements desired by 65% of respondents)
- 2. April 2018 Roland Park as a project is discussed at Annual Budget Retreat
- 3. July 2018 Crafton Tull engaged to prepare a Park Master Plan/Feasibility Study
- 4. Fall 2018 the project is discussed in the Coweta Connections newsletter
- December 2018 Crafton Tull presents draft study and accepts public input at Council meeting
- 6. December 2018 Crafton Tull engaged to prepare civil plans for improvements
- 7. Feb Mar 2019 Coweta Community Survey completed (Parks/Park Improvements desired by 60% of respondents)
- 8. Spring 2019 Wagoner County Health Department proposes to share costs of "healthy living" components, cost estimates prepared for those components
- 9. May 2019 Preliminary plan sets received by City
- 10. May and June 2019 Tulsa metropolitan area is flooded due to excessive rains in the watershed, Coweta's raw water intake station is overwhelmed by flood waters on the Verdigris River resulting in public emergency declaration and possibility of loss of ability to produce potable water
- 11. Fall 2019 project again discussed in Coweta Connections newsletter
- 12. August 2019 the project is reviewed by Planning Commission and recommended for approval to City Council
- 13. September 2019 the project plans are approved by City Council
- 14. October 2019 Health Department withdraws financial support for park projects in Coweta and Wagoner
- 15. January 2020 discovered that sewer line proposed for discharge of water from splash pad is not large enough, redesign to send water to manhole northwest of the park
- 16. February 2020 City calls for sales tax election that could have provided funding for a portion of the project
- 17. March 2020 Covid-19 pandemic becomes national emergency, City declares local emergency and State Election Board cancels upcoming sales tax election
- 18. April 2020 budget retreat, project is moved to 2021 due to concerns over looming recession and unknown long-term economic effects of the pandemic